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Update of Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) Codes and File Names, Descriptions, and Instruction for Retrieving the 2005 Ambulatory Surgical/Surgery Center (ASC) HCPCS Deletions and Master Listing

Note: This article was revised to contain web addresses that conform to the new CMS web site and to show they are now MLN Matters articles. All other information remains the same.

Provider Types Affected

Ambulatory surgery centers (ASCs)

Provider Action Needed

Be aware that HCPCS codes 50559, 50959, and 50978 are being deleted from the ASC list effective for services performed on or after January 1, 2005.

Background

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is updating the ASC HCPCS codes list as a result of changes in the American Medical Association (AMA) Physician's Current Procedural Terminology (CPT). The deletions of the HCPCS codes described in this notification are the results of changes in the CPT for 2005. There are no additions or replacement codes.

Additional Information

If you have any questions, please contact your carrier/intermediary at their toll-free number found at

<http://www.cms.hhs.gov/MLNProducts/downloads/CallCenterTollNumDirectory.pdf> on the CMS web site.

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